

Appl. No. 09/807,457
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REMARKS/ARGUMENT

This amendment responds to the Office Action of April 14, 2004.

Claims 1-13, 16-18, 20, 22, 25-30, 32-38, and 40-51 are pending in the application with claims 14, 15, 19, 21, 23, 24, 31, and 39 having been canceled, claims 1-11, 13, 16-18, 20, 22, 25-30, 47, and 50 having been amended, and new claim 51 added.

A response to the Office Action of March 9, 2004 was filed April 7, 2004. In an Office Action dated April 14, 2004, the Examiner advised the Applicants that the amendment document was non-compliant because, in the amendments to the claims, each claim had not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim could not be identified. Specifically, according to the Examiner, "Previously Added is not a proper status identification."

The claims have now been amended by changing "Previously Added" to "Previously Presented."

Accordingly, the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment document is herewith re-submitted in its entirety, i.e., the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of Applicants' amendment document.

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In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is now in condition for allowance and an early Office Action to that end is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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